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- 1. SUMMARY. THE POLICY AND PROGRAM COORDINATION COMMITTEE MET ON THE MORNING OF JULY 18 TO DISCUSS AGENDA ITEM 19, INTERNATION-AL COOPERATION AND COORDINATION WITHIN THE UN SYSTEM. DISCUSSION CENTERED AROUND PREPARATIONS FOR THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF THE CHILD, AND THE PROPOSED INTERNATIONAL YEAR FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, END SUMMARY
- 2. THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF UNICEF SPOKE ON THE IMPORTANCE OF THE IYC AND GAVE AN APPEAL FOR FUNDS FOR THE PROJECT. A NUMBER OF COUNTRIES SPOKE IN SUPPORT OF THE IYC, REQUESTING CONTRIBUTIONS, AND SOME COUNTRIES ASKED FOR TWO DAYS OF IYC DISCUSSION DURING GA. AUSTRIA JOINED AS A CO-SPONSOR OF IYC.
- 3. A DRAFT ANNEX TO THE CONVENTION ON PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES OF THE SPECIALIZED AGENCIES (E/5993) MET RESISTANCE ON TWO ISSUES. IRAQ PROPOSED THAT THE CLAUSE "REGARDLESS OF THEIR NATIONALITY" IN PARA 2 BE DROPPED FROM A DESCRIPTION OF REPRESENTATIVES ELIGIBLE, AND IT WAS. UK QUESTIONED THE NEED FOR THE PROPOSAL IN PARAGRAPH 1 THAT PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES BE EXTENUNCLASSIFIED

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DED TO THE DEPUTY DIRECTORS OF WIPO, POINTING OUT THAT IT WAS NORMALLY EXTENDED ONLY TO THE DG. THE PARAGRAPH WAS ACCEPTED AFTER THE WIPO REP'S EXPLANATION.

4. DISCUSSION OF ACC ANNUAL REPORT (E/5973) CENTERED ON THE PROLIFERATION OF INTERNATIONAL YEARS AND ON THE PROPOSAL BY UNESCO FOR AN INTERNATIONAL YEAR FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY.

THE UNESCO REP PROPOSED 1980 (VICE 1981) FOR THIS COMMEMORATIVE YEAR. FRANCE PROPOSED THAT THE YEAR BE HELD IN 1979, SO THAT IT WOULD CORRESPOND TO THE CONFERENCE ON SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY. THE PHILIPPINES COUNTERED WITH A PROPOSAL THAT BOTH THE YEAR AND THE CONFERENCE SHOULD BE SCHEDULED FOR 1980. USDEL PLANS TO EXPRESS THE VIEW THT A YEAR FOR SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY MIGHT DIVERT EFFORT AWAY FROM PREPARATION FOR THE CONFERENCE. VANDEN HEUVEL

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